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Intimations.

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No. 4 of 1894.

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of VESSELS arriving from HONGKONG or
other Southern Ports is DISCON-
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where there is Contagious Disease on board,
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the Harbour Regulations, which reads as
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"A vessel arriving with a contagious
disease on board shall not come nearer
the lower limit of the Harbour than
two miles, shall fly at the fore a yellow
flag, and shall not allow anyone to
disembark or come on board without
permission from the Harbour Master's
Office."

A. M. BISBEE,
Coast Inspector.

Approved:
ALFRED E. HIPPISLEY,
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Shanghai, 6th September, 1894. 1465

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Hongkong, August 20, 1894. 1465

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Hongkong, June 18, 1893. 228

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Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

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Hongkong, May 24, 1893. 47

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Hongkong, August 25, 1894. 1384

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Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1464

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Hongkong, September 10, 1894. 1433

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FOR AUTUMN WEAR

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Hongkong, September 1, 1894. 1421

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THE GREAT CLEARANCE SALE

FINISHES

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Hongkong, September 11, 1894. 1471

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THE HONGKONG MINSTRELS
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TWO MORE OF THEIR
POPULAR ENTERTAINMENTS,
SATURDAYS, 22nd & 29th September,
For the Benefit of the Plague Workers.
Under distinguished Patronage and
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Full Particulars in Programmes, which
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Doors open at 8.30. Commencing at
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Seats may be Booked on and after Saturday,
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A SPECIAL Train will run to the Peak,
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WILLIAM BLAYNAY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1463

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SAMARANG AND SORABATA.

The Steamship
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MORROW, the 14th instant, at Noon,
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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
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Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1466

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Captain G. HEUERMAYER,
will be despatched for the
above Port on SATURDAY, the 16th Inst.,
at 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1463

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship
Sunshing,
Captain DODD, will be
dispatched on SATUR-
DAY, the 15th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1479

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

The Co.'s Steamship
Hailoong, Captain ROACH, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on SUNDAY, the 16th instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPLAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1485

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

The Steamship
Nanchang,
Captain FINLAYSON, will be
despatched on WED-
NESDAY, the 19th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1483

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CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
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Through Bill of Lading issued for BATA-
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THE Steamship EDENNA, Captain
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steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and
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Parcels will be received at this Office
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Shippers are particularly requested to
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pany's Bills of Lading.

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H. H. JOSEPH,
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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1481

To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SATURDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER, 1894,
AT 2.30 p.m.

COMPETITION—Short Range CUP
and SPOONS. Ranges 200 and 300
yards. Shots—Seven. Entrance Fee, 30
cents; and at 4 p.m.. Mr. WOODHOUSE'S TEAM v. Capt. G. K.
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best five scores to count. Member of each
team must never fire out of a Martini-
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and Civil Service excluded.

G. K. MOORE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1482

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EUCALYPTUS OIL.

MESSRS. DAKIN, CRUIKSHANK & CO., Ltd., were the first to introduce
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Hongkong, September 13, 1894. 1466

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Spion, Italian barque, Capt. Bartolomeo
Guicciavino.—Musso & Co.

SILVERHORN, Brit. 4-masted ship, Capt.
R. Gibson.—Shaw & Co.

THERMOPYLES, British barge, Captain
Winchester.—Captain.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

September 12.—

Memur, British steamer, 1,247, St.
John George, Shanghai September 4, and
Foochow on Thursday, 9th, from Funchow for Australia.

R. S. Seal, San Francisco August 16.

Yokohama September 5, and Na-sa-ai 9,
General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Foolong, British steamer, 783, J. Beach,
Foochow Sept. 9, Amoy 10, and Swatow
12, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Tamarind, Norwegian steamer, 739, L.
Casberg, Nowchow September 6, Beans-
Weller & Co.

Cormarty, British steamer, 1,664, W. S.
Duncan, Amoy September 12, General.—
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Straits of Dover, British steamer, 1,904,
Halliday, Moji September 6, Coal.—Order.

September 13.—

Cheyang, British steamer, from Canton.
City of Peking, American steamer, 3,129

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DEPARTURES.

September 13.—

Rakka, for Europe, &c.

Normandie, for Canton.

Vindonesia, for Shanhai.

Changsha, for Nagasaki.

Zaio, for Amoy.

Foek, for Foochow.

Hainan, for Haiphong.

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Brema, for Saigon.

Honey, for Saigon.

Timurind, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Bolidon Hill, for New York.

Takung, for Shanghai.

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Elez, for Bangkok and Bremen.

Loo Sot, for Hoilow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Holstein, from Saigon, 152 Chinese.

Per City of Peking, from San Francisco.

Major Kielart, Lieut. J. G. Wilson, Mr. E.

C. O. Donaldson-Sim, Miss H.

Stone, Miss L. Jeffries, Miss C. Hudson.

Per Foolong, from Coast Ports, Meats

Hall, Hsiaochow and White, and 70 Chinese.

Per Cormarty, from Amoy, for Hong-

kong, 21 Chinese; for Saigon, 23 Chinese;

for Samarang, 7 Chinese; for Sourabaya, 7

Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Holstein, from Hongkong; for Singa-

pore, Mr. T. Hinchbold; for Brindisi, Mr.

E. J. Haspin, Colonel E. G. Barrow; for

London, Messrs. James Lindsay, O'Connor,

and G. Thomson. From Shanghai; for

London, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hunter, child

and maid, Capt. E. Graf von Bandi, in

From Kobe; for London, Mr. J. H. Gosling.

From Yokohama; for Bombay, Messrs. G.

W. Gordon and D. Carmichael; for Port

Said, Mr. T. B. Ward.

Per Changsha, for Nagasaki, Messrs. Jas.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—Verona leaves for Japan.

Noon.—Naushon leaves for Macao.

Noon.—Cormarty leaves for Singapore, etc.

SATURDAY, September 15.—

It is only two or three years since an Indian at Stonecutter's Island used an old six-inch conical shell as a wedge for splitting wood, till one day he found it was not too old to burst, and his subsequent history was fragmentary in the extreme. There was a parallel case in Singapore, where a score of native policemen were set to work by their European inspector 'breaking up' with crowbars a hundred weight of condemned cartridges, to save the lead—and the verdict was, if we remember rightly, accidental death of fourteen Malay constables. There is another case now, to cap these two, and to show that even in Europe such things do happen. A gentleman in the firm of Piotet & Co., silk merchants, Lyons, had a spherical shell, a relic of the Franco-Prussian war. There was a hole in the shell, and he thought—as usual; he used it as an ash-tray, to drop in cigarettes, matches, &c. It was August the third, and mid-were the skies,' as Mark Twain says, when the silk factory was blown up, wrecked, and ignited, and several people killed or wounded. History repeats itself.

This proposal made, more than a year ago, to hold an exhibition in Hongkong was received so spontaneously that the proposal is not likely to be revived in a hurry, but those who still entertain the belief that a Hongkong exhibition might be made a financial success, and who still believe that the Chinese would come in their thousands from the wilds of Manchuria, Szechuan, and Yunnan 'to see the wheels go round,' may find some interest in Lord Armstrong's references to 'the greatest show on earth.' A disastrous failure,' is what Lord Armstrong called it in a speech he delivered at Rotherby, near Newcastle-on-Tyne, in opening a small local exhibition. In his view, the Chicago Exhibition failed an account of its very size. International exhibitions, he declared, have been getting bigger, and more costly, while at the same time they have diminished in profit and in general beneficiaries. Great centralised exhibitions being thus discredited, it is time, he thinks, to consider whether small ones will not have a better effect. Whatever may be thought of Lord Armstrong's views on international exhibitions, no one can doubt that he is right in saying that much good is done by small local exhibitions in encouraging amateurs in arts and crafts.

A JAPANESE familiar with English is responsible for the atrocious statement that the conversation to be held between the Japanese commander-in-chief and the Chinese General at Phyong-yang, upon their capitulation, will be restricted to Yeh, Yeh, and Nish, Nish.

A surviving grandson of Sir Philip Francis has just written a book to prove that his grandfather was the author of the famous letters of Junius. Macaulay always maintained that Sir Philip alone could have written these bitter letters, and this new volume brings forward proof of handwriting as the convincing argument in favor of this claim. The pamphlet of Sir Philip agrees exactly with the 'feigned hand' in which the letters of Junius were sent to the printer, and the style also shows the same peculiarities of construction and the same spelling observed in private letters of Francis. The fact that this old controversy is practically settled by handwriting suggests the trouble in store for students of the next century from the general use of the type-writer. If 'Junius' had used a type-writer the clew to his identity would have been only the similarity in literary style.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

The Sanitary Board met this afternoon, Mr F. H. May (Captain Superintendent of Police) presiding. There were also present: Dr P. B. C. Ayres (Colonial Surgeon); Mr W. Chatham (Acting Director of Public Works); Mr J. J. Francis, Q.C., Dr Ho Kai, Dr Hartigan, Mr R. E. Leigh, and Mr E. A. Raw, Acting Secretary. Dr Hartigan, pursuant to notice, asked which of the Nuisance Inspectors had been sent to investigate alleged plague cases prior to May 10, what was the time of their visits, in what streets, and what report they had made in regard to Dr Lowson's report laid before the House of Commons; Dr Ayres told me he had written a letter asking that in consequence of the rumours he had heard, certain portions of the city should be inspected by the Inspectors of Nuisances, and if any sick people were found, to inform him and where he would go and see them at once. None were found. This was on May 7. On May 10—I found approximately 20 people living there (Tung Wah) affected with Plague, all in an advanced stage of the disease. The cases came from Market Street, Tung Leng and Ladder Street.

Dr Ayres—in reply to that I wish to say there is a slight mistake; the date was May 5, not 7. On May 5 as I was at the Club about half past one Dr Gowin reported to me that some Chinaman had told him a great many deaths had occurred among the coolie houses in Bonham Strand, and in consequence they were burning a lot of joss-papers and fire crackers. So I wrote at once to the Secretary of this Board, Mr Raw, requesting him to send an inspector down there, to find out if there were any suspicious cases of sickness in those houses and to report at once to me, so that I could go down and examine them. Inspector Clerihew was the one who was sent; he went through all the houses in the evening, when the coolies had all returned from their day's work. He found there had been no cases of sickness nor deaths lately, and the firing of crackers was on account of the order issued by the Viceroy, for another New Year celebration. The first cases of plague in Hongkong were those at the Tung Wah, none of them from that direction.

Mr Francis—May I ask if there is a written report about all this?

Dr Hartigan—Is this to be taken as the answer to my question?

Dr Ayres—Yes, this is the answer. A written report was sent in to me.

The report of Inspector Clerihew was found and read by the Secretary, from the 'Occurrences Book' of the Board's offices, as follows—'Made enquiries at coolie houses and emigration depots, Bonham Strand West, found no suspicious cases.'

Mr Francis—Then what is the justification for stating that he 'went through all the houses'? That is the entire question—did he go through them and see for himself? His report says he simply 'made enquiries.'

Dr Ayres—Clerihew is a very trustworthy officer. He has been a long time with the Board. I did not suppose he would go and inspect every one himself. No report of the drifts alleged came to the Registrar-General.

Dr Hartigan—Then Clerihew was the only inspector sent?

Dr Ayres—He was the only one.

Dr Hartigan—Was anything done between the 5th and the 10th by the inspectors to find out whether the plague was in Hongkong or not? My reason is that this report from Dr Lowson is laid before Parliament, and it says the inspectors of the Board were told to investigate, and that at once throws the responsibility of having failed to detect it promptly. It means—anyone reading the report would at once say—that the Board had not done its duty.

Dr Ayres—No; these cases at the Tung Wah were admitted in the Tuesday, and found to be plague on Thursday.

The President—Then it appears that, referring to what Dr Lowson wrote, the only visitation was in Bonham Strand and it was in consequence of the conversation between Dr Ayres and Dr Ayres, and that no general information was given to the inspectors at all.

Dr Ayres—I sent Dr Lowson to Canton on the 4th; at least I got the report from the consular surgeon at Canton on Thursday and Dr Lowson requested me to let him go up the Friday.

Dr Hartigan—What is not the question.

What I want to make clear is that the expression 'none were found by the inspectors' using the plural, is not correct.

Mr Francis asked for the production of the letter sent by Dr Ayres asking that the inspectors be sent to investigate. It was essential to make sure whether that amounted to a notice on which the Board might have acted.

The Secretary was sorry to say the letter could not be found.

Dr Hartigan—But is it a part of the ordinary duty of the Board's inspectors to find out and report suspicious cases of disease?

Mr Francis—No.

Dr Hartigan—Then whose duty is it?

It is most important.

Mr Francis—The Colonial Surgeon's.

Dr Ayres—I have no authority to enter any of these places.

Dr Hartigan—This report is misleading, as anyone would think on reading it that the Board should have known about the plague and taken action sooner, because the plague was here in April.

Dr Ayres—I know there was no plague in April.

Dr Hartigan—Oh, well, it is a matter of opinion.

Dr Ayres—and I doubt if you had seen it, I am quite positive that until Dr Lowson went to Canton and saw the cases there nobody here could have diagnosed a case of this sort. I saw the first case here, and I could not diagnose it myself.

The President—This is apart from the question. The answer to Dr Hartigan's questions appears to be that until Dr Lowson had not a general order to inspect but he was told to enquire, at certain places; he did enquire, and elicited nothing. That was only in Bonham Strand, and it was on the 7th that he went, but the 5th when Dr Ayres wrote.

Dr Ayres—That report is not for the House of Commons, as Dr Hartigan says, but for the Buda-Pesth Medical Conference.

Mr Francis—It is a report that will go before Parliament; it is 'presented to the Governor of Hongkong by Dr Lowson,' who claims credit for doing everything himself, and according to the report nobody else had anything to do with the plague but Dr Lowson. It is I, I, I, all through.

The President—Dr Hartigan, are your questions answered satisfactorily?

Let us get on with the business.

Dr Hartigan—The answer is satisfactory in that it shows there is a mistake in the report, that is all.

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CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

(SPECIAL TO THE 'CHINA MAIL')

THE COREAN KING AND THE EMPRESS DOWAGER.

SHANGHAI, September 12.

The King of Corea has sent in his birthday presents to Her Majesty the Empress Dowager of China. In his congratulatory memorial, the King asks for Chinese help to fight against the Japanese, whom he is determined to fight to the bitter end.

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MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The Acting Secretary reported that the death-rate per 1000 living for the week ended 8th September last was 18.7 as compared with 25.9 in the corresponding week of last year.

PIG AND SHEEP DEPOT FARM.

Mr Francis suggested that instead of

the Government should work the D pot itself. He thought it would benefit the trade of the Colony besides bringing a higher revenue to the Treasury.

Mr Chatham objected, as he thought it might be difficult to get in the revenue, amounting to something like \$30,000 to \$40,000, without corruption.

Dr Ho Kai proposed that the Committee should be appointed to consider the subject.

The President concurred, agreeing with Dr Ho Kai in denouncing the Farm system.

Agreed.

WATCHMEN FOR DEPOTS.

It was agreed to circulate a number of applications for the posts of watchmen at the Pig and Sheep Depots, to give the members of the Board an opportunity of considering the various applications. It was also agreed to leave the list open for another month.

IMPORTATION OF MEAT.

Dr Hartigan proposed that this subject should be referred to a Committee to draw up new by-laws.

Mr Francis said it was useless to draw up by-laws, as Mr Liddis had no staff to inspect the meat. The present Inspector of Markets were steadily incompetent men, but they were perfectly incompetent to tell where meat was unfit for human food.

It was agreed, however, to refer the matter to a Committee.

THE WATERWORKS.

Mr Francis gave notice that on this day fortnight he would move a resolution to the effect that the time has now come for the transfer of the Waterworks to the Sanitary Board.

LOGGING HOUSE BY-LAWS.

A request was made by the Government that the date when the common lodging house by-laws are to come into force should be changed from 1st October to 1st November.

It was agreed, on the motion of Mr Francis, that the date should be postponed till 1st January or such date between then and now as the Government thought desirable.

DR HARTIGAN AND DR AYRES.

Dr Hartigan gave notice that he would move a resolution referring to Dr Ayres' answers to his questions on Dr Lowson's plague report.

Board adjourned.

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the

WEATHER NOTICE.

On the 13th at 11 a.m. the barometer is

falling again in Luzon. On S. coast, baro-

meter steady. Moderate N.E. winds. Weather showery and equally.

At 4.30 p.m. a depression is indicated to the E. of Luzon.

The Spanish Consul sends us the follow-

ing telegram received from Manila:—There

appear to be two depressions—one to the

E. S. E. of Manila in the Pacific, and the

other to the N. W. in the China Sea. It is

difficult to make out the direction of either.'

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']

(Via Southern Line.)

LONDON, September 11, 1894.

DEATH OF THE COMTE DE PARIS.

The British Court has gone into mourn-

ing for ten days.

CHINA, COREA AND JAPAN.

Corea has, under pressure, concluded a

defensive alliance with Japan against

China.

The Emperor of Japan and his Ministers

are proceeding to headquarters (naval) at

Hiroshima.

ITALY.

There are several indications of a rap-

proach between the Vatican and the

Quirinal.

RESULT OF THE ST. LEGER.

Lord Alington and Sir F. Johnston's

Thrustle 1

Lord Rosebery's Leda 2

Baron Hirsch's Match Box 3

Thrustle is half-sister, by Petrushka,

to Common, who won the Derby, St. Leger,

and Two Thousand Guineas for Sir Fre-

derick Johnston in 1891.

FORMOSA ABORIGINES ON THE

WAR-PATH.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

TELEGRAMS.

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THE U.S. FLEET.

NYC, August 15.—The Herald's

Washington correspondent telegraphs the

order of sailing just made by a

Wheeler employee. He said that the

order was issued by the

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